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Trust Epsom Derby Form In The Eclipse - By Ian Hudson

The Coral Eclipse is a prestigious Group 1 contest that brings together the Classic generation and older horses. However, the race is dominated by three-year-olds so the weight for age allowance is received by the major players. Even off level weights the Derby winner, Masar, would be a leading contender and the Eclipse looks destined to be won by one of the younger horses. The race features the horse that finished third in the Derby, Roaring Lion, and the favourite, Saxon Warrior.

That horse was seen as a potential superstar after winning the 2,000 Guineas in impressive style. The Aidan O'Brien runner was installed as the odds-on favourite for the Derby and defeat seemed out of the question. There was even talk of an attempt to win the Triple Crown last achieved by Nijinsky in 1970. The demands of winning the Guineas, Derby and St Leger make it a rare feat. The three Classics are run over distances from one mile to one mile and six furlongs and from May to September.

Saxon Warrior never seemed to be going well in the Derby. Ryan Moore is seen as one of the best big race jockeys in the world but he did not cover himself with glory. He allowed Saxon Warrior to be boxed in and when a clear run occurred the horse was not good enough to peg back Masar. Given no problems in running it is still doubtful Saxon Warrior would have completed the second leg of the Triple Crown. The horse is not a proven stayer so the St Leger is off the agenda.

Saxon Warrior did not run a bad race when coming third in the Irish Derby last Saturday. At Evens favourite the horse finished third a neck and half a length behind Rostropovich and the winner Latrobe, trained by O'Brien's son, Joseph. The family trained the first three home and the winner was ridden by Donnocha, Joseph's brother. It must be very rare for three members of one family to be involved with the winner of a Classic and the horses that made the frame. Saxon Warrior could redeem himself in the Eclipse over a more suitable distance.

The Sandown feature is run over 10 furlongs but the two Derbies were run over two furlongs more. Masar had the speed to win the Craven Stakes over one mile at Newmarket so will be difficult to beat. The horse was one and three quarter lengths behind Saxon Warrior in the Guineas but the Eclipse is a race over the intermediary distance which could suit either horse but Masar is the best three-year-old colt in training. The fly in the ointment could be Happily.

The horse, another trained by O'Brien senior, is a filly so gets an extra three pounds from the colts. That means the four older male horses carry thirteen pounds more than Happily and can't win under these terms. Roaring Lion won the Dante Stakes at York so is proven in Group company over one mile and two furlongs. However he finished two lengths behind Masar in third place in the Derby. Dee Ex Bee was the runner-up at Epsom but is not running in the Eclipse.

Forest Ranger has been the best backed of the horses aged over three. He won at Chester in May but has not raced since. The four-year-old would have to be an exceptional horse to beat the younger runners carry much more weight. Forest Ranger is a fresh horse but not good enough to win the Eclipse at the weights. Saxon Warrior deserves another chance but you can't ignore the Derby form and on that basis Masar is the horse to beat.

Today's Sports Betting Preview - By Rick Elliott

Only Brazil Are Shorter In World Cup Betting Than England

There are only eight matches remaining in the World Cup and over the next two days eight teams becomes four. The sides that progress to the semi-finals know they will play another two times but the tournament will end with a World Cup final or the most meaningless fixture in sport, the one that decides which nation finishes third and not fourth. The Baddiel/Skinner/Lightning Seeds anthem 'Football's Coming Home' is racing up the charts, sales of waistcoats have gone through the roof and ENGLAND are now as short as 7/2 with **William Hill** to win the World Cup.

The first tie in the quarter-finals brings together Uruguay and France this afternoon. Both sides were impressive in the last 16. Uruguay will suffer a huge blow if as expected Edinson Cavani does not play due to a hamstring injury. His side have only conceded in three of their last 13 matches but France have the quality to score at least once. Kylian Mbappe is contending with Harry Kane to be voted the best player at the World Cup. Uruguay are strong and disciplined at the back but FRANCE have the players to sneak a win in 90 minutes and that outcome is Evens with **Ladbrokes**.

The second match today is one for the purists because Brazil and Belgium are in footballing ability terms two of the best sides in the tournament. However, Belgium spent a huge amount emotionally in coming back from two-nil down to beat Japan in the last round. Meanwhile, Brazil eased past Mexico and Neymar scored a goal. Brazil have only conceded in one of their last nine matches. Belgium have the players to find the net but BRAZIL should be backed at 8/15 with **Paddy Power** to qualify for the next round but the job might not be done in normal time.

It's the Eclipse Stakes at Sandown tomorrow and the race will feature some big players from the Derby. Masar (winner), Roaring Lion (2nd) and Saxon Warrior (4th) will run in an all-aged race dominated by the Classic generation. The track stages a decent prelude today with £177,000 in prize money up for grabs. The richest race of the day (4.05pm) is the Class 2 handicap over one mile and two furlongs, the Eclipse distance. ALFARRIS has potential to improve and the horse can be backed at 7/2 with **Ladbrokes** to win this race.

Tried And Tested - By Bet World Reviews

Many tipsters and publishers use selective facts to try and get you to subscribe. Take Anthony Gibsons Daily Punt which consistently boasts that he has a strike rate of around 52% but fails to mention the rather ordinary profitability (21 points in 6 months all of which has been generated recently).

So I was pleased to see that a long time favourite had returned after an enforced rest. [Honest Jon](#) offers a wide range of racing and football systems and services without any hype or pressure. Many of them have been reviewed by me in my former role and as the services develop we will add to the portfolio covered on **BWR**.

I suggest that you should initially take a look at the Many Moons Service which offers win and place betting advice based on Jon's personal ratings developed over a long period. Having seen this service since its start it is impressive producing more than 500% capital growth before suspension. Since the restart at the end of May we are showing a 13% profit. With tried and tested results available the signs are good and there is even better news! We have negotiated a lifetime subscription discount for **Bet World Reviews** members which you can access on [this link](#).

Another blast from the past was the launch of VRT Value Racing Tips at the end of June. A long established tipster who had been through a severe illness and is now fully raring to go again. He has more than 4 years of demonstrable consistent profit making and is already 30 points to the good with winners at prices up to 11/1. No selections are ever offered at less than 9/4. A special offer allowing a 14 day trial of the service for just £1 can be found [here](#)

I have also highlighted the success of The Judge – a greyhound racing expert. He continues to find the good value winners and is fast approaching a 200% profit on his starting bank in less than 5 months. A very easy service to follow and as far as I can see the leading tipster in his field. Check out the [review](#) for full details.

Finally a thought about the weather. Shades of 1976 are starting to appear but there is already an apparent impact on the racing scene. Many races are showing low entry numbers because trainers - quite rightly – do not wish to risk their charges on bone hard ground. And this will have an effect on tipping performance too so take a slightly more critical view than usual when placing your bets.